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German published Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 41 40 762 A1 (Kittsteiner et al.), dated June 17, 1993, sheet guiding device;

German Patent Application DE 40 30 070 C2 (Büsse et al.), dated March 26, 1992, sheet feeding unit for rotary printing machine;

German Patent Application DE 44 24 970 C2 (Weisbach et al.), dated January 18, 1996, pneumatically working guiding device for turning sheets;

German Patent Application DE 44 24 967 C2 (Weisbach et al.), dated January 25, 1996, method and device for sheet turning;

German Search Report, dated August 24, 2001;

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